

THE HISTORIC CONVENTION.

REPUBLICANS AT CHICAGO.

The Republican National Convention opened at noon Tuesday. Chairman Thurston's address on the issues of the day—Secession and Incidents in the History of the Party—was the first of the many interesting particulars.

The large space devoted for a week past to the National Convention at Chicago, shows the widespread interest in the event. Before the delegates had assembled the press printed columns of details, conjectures, etc., more in fact than were devoted to the Democracy at St. Louis, and the end is not yet—it has hardly begun.

The reasons for what have already appeared and which will follow are not far to seek. The Republican party stands for the Republic every time; it is the only party which is not a party of expediency. It is the only party which is not a party of expediency.

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This mighty West retains the courage of its convictions, and holds the devotion to principle, though it brings defeat, is better than success achieved by broken promises and political expediency.

When our candidates are chosen we will all join with heart and hand in the shout of our triumph, and the rain-bow of our harmony shall give certain promise of the glory of a victorious morning in November.

When the Democratic party at the close of the convention, it has robbed us of a victory honestly and fairly won, we patiently waited for the certain coming of the justice of the cause.

We hope and believed that in 1888 the great national wrong of 1861 would be righted. Right it not for the Republican party, but also for the grand and glorious candidates whose names were the inspiration of that wonderful campaign.

The Republican party is not left without great cause to plead in the letters of gold upon a shield of blue the sentiments which appear to be the uppermost in the minds of the delegates.

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